

## TO ANNIHILATE A NAVY.

Nicola Tesla Proposes to Use His Oscillator in Destroying the Ships of the Navy.

Nicola Tesla is on the eve of a new achievement. He has learned a new use for his oscillator, that marvelous electrical instrument with which Mr. Tesla was able to transmit messages without wire or other artificial conductors, years before the same result was achieved by others.

He has now discovered that it is just as easy to blow up an enemy's vessel by means of the oscillator as it is to send a message by telephone from one end of the city to the other. The question of distance between the enemy's ship and the oscillator does not enter into consideration at all. The same force that can convey a message that distance will be able, Mr. Tesla thinks, to blow up the biggest battleship that has ever been afloat at an equal distance.

The manner of accomplishing this is, of course, not divulged by the inventor in detail. In a general way, however, he does not hesitate to say that he simply conveys an electric spark into the powder magazines of the vessel to be blown up and the spark and powder do the rest.

"By the aid of powerful machinery the oscillator can be made to start a vibratory wave," said Mr. Tesla, "which will accumulate force as it progresses. In striking the object against which the wave is directed it does so with such a percussion as would inevitably explode it, the same as if it was struck with a percussion cap."

Mr. Tesla will undoubtedly offer the use of his invention to the United States government. The only condition to the success of Mr. Tesla's operation is that he be correctly posted as to the location of the vessel he desires giving the quietus to. In order to be able to ascertain this to a certainty, another phase of the oscillator can be called into requisition.

## WANTS HIS COFFINS TRIED.

William Jenkins, a North Side Undertaker, of Chicago, Puts Up a Peculiar Sign.

William Jenkins, who is now the owner of an undertaking shop on North avenue, Chicago, was once a grocer, pure and simple. He is still a grocer, but he was obliged to take the undertaker's establishment for a debt.

The methods which a grocer uses in advertising his business are many and some of them are unique. The undertaker has no means of advertising, except by a simple card. No one likes to be reminded of the beauties of a coffin or to decide between the beauty and durability of a lead or steel casket. People don't like to think of coffins for themselves, and when they think of them for friends and relatives it is not with joy. But Jenkins was a grocer by instinct. As a good grocer he was naturally a good advertiser. When he obtained control of the undertaking establishment he thought the plain sign was not enough. So he had a signboard painted white and upon it letters in black. It reads as follows:

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The coffins and caskets must be good, for no one who has ever tried them has ever come back to complain.

## WANTS TO HELP FIGHT.

British Nobleman Comes to This Country to Offer His Services to Uncle Sam.

A strapping young British nobleman has come from England on the White Star liner Germania to offer his services to Uncle Sam in the fight for humanity against Spain. He is already an officer in one of her majesty's squadrons of cavalry, and he only got leave of absence to run over and take a hand in whipping some of the inane and barbarity out of Spain.

"Capt. Sir Bryan Leighton, Bart." is the way this young English warrior is set down in the passenger list. He is 30 years old, and modestly declines to give the name of the regiment in which he has served her majesty during the last eight years.

But the "genealogical and heraldic dictionary of the peerage and baronetage of Great Britain and Ireland," otherwise known as "Burke's Peerage," is not so secretive, and it tells all about the young baronet, giving two whole pages to a description of the captain's family tree, which began, so far as the peerage goes, with Thelud de Lathune, who witnessed two grants to the abbey of Haughmond, County Salop, in 1155 and 1166.

## AN HISTORICAL PEN.

Representative Smith Holds the One Used by President in Signing the Declaration of War.

Representative William Alden Smith, of Michigan, is made the proud possessor of the pen with which the president, the speaker of the house and the vice president of the senate signed the bill declaring the existence of war between the United States and Spain. The speaker gave Mr. Smith the pen, and he took it to the senate, when at his request Vice President Hobart also used it in attaching his signature, and later President McKinley made the final approbation with the same.

## Curiosities of the Hands.

The right hand, which is more sensitive to the touch than the left, is less sensitive than the latter to the effect of heat or cold.

Average Life of Frenchwomen. The average life of women in France during the last 25 years has been 55 years, and of men 50 years.

## TREATIES WITH SPAIN

She Distinctly Abrogates All Made with This Country.

Why This Declaration is Made is Not Understood—The Treaty Cannot Be Abrogated.

Spain in her declaration of war against the United States distinctly abrogates all treaties that have been heretofore made between the two countries, and declares them null and void.

Why this formality should be observed is difficult to understand, for the general rule in international law is that war extinguishes all treaties between two nations. Where there are treaties between two nations that contemplate a state of future war, and make provisions for it, they must necessarily remain in force, and no one of the contracting parties can declare it void without the consent of the other. For instance, the treaty of 1795 between Spain and the United States provides that American merchants doing business in Spain and Spanish merchants doing business in the United States shall be allowed one year after the proclamation of war for collecting and transporting their goods and merchandise out of the adverse country, and if they are molested in so doing full satisfaction shall be made to them by the government. This is a continuing agreement between the two nations, and it must remain in force, notwithstanding the official abrogation, for the time specified.

Altogether there have been 12 treaties, large and small, between the United States and Spain. The great majority of them have been of minor importance, involving principally the settlement of claims preferred by the citizens of one country against the other. There are already three treaties of importance—that of 1795, which was a treaty of friendship, defining also the territorial limits of the two countries, and those of 1877 and 1882, which concerned the extradition of criminals.

Except the clause protecting merchants for a year, all the treaties between Spain and the United States are annulled. And the curious thing about it, says the Chicago Times-Herald, is that when the war is over the two nations will enter upon these treaties substantially as they now are, just as if nothing had ever happened!

## A MAGNANIMOUS ACT.

Deed of American Sailors That Should Teach Spanish Soldiers a Lesson.

A story comes from the blockading fleet off Cuba which shows the true spirit that animates American sailors and clearly proves that we can be kind and generous even to the despised and brutal enemy.

Lieut. Del Pano, of the Spanish infantry, and his orderly, who were captured by the gunboat Wilmington on board a small schooner bound for Matanzas, were put ashore at Santa Cruz, 24 miles from Havana, by the United States scout boat Algonquin, formerly the steamer El Toro. The lieutenant was on furlough and was going to see his wife and infant child. The child was born last Friday and the father had not seen it. Under the circumstances Rear Admiral Sampson directed to let the Spanish officer and his orderly go (under parole). The Algonquin, commanded by Ensign Croswell, flying a flag of truce, steamed into the Santa Cruz inlet. The small craft was closely watched through many glasses on board the flagship New York, which was lying only a few miles off. A few persons were seen to gather near the small fortifications of Santa Cruz as the Algonquin approached. The latter performed her mission safely and apparently without incident. She then returned to Key West.

## FLAG FLOATS OVER A CRIB.

Patriotic Men Three Miles in the Lake Of Chicago Unfold Old Glory With Cheers.

The newest and most unique place for Chicago patriotism to break forth is out three miles in Lake Michigan at the intermediate crib, the lake end of the new northwest water supply tunnel. The workmen there have raised "Old Glory" in a way worthy of the location, which is one of the city's most advanced outposts. Each contributing his mite, they purchased an immense flag, and it now proudly floats from a 40-foot pole above the top of the crib. When the flag was hoisted Superintendent Fred McIsaac, delivered an appropriate oration on the roof of the crib to his 60 men, and then unfurled the banner, which will remain there until the war is over. After the flag was raised the whistle of the crib blew several loud blasts. Three cheers were then given for the flag and three more for Gen. Fitz Simons, of the First Brigade.

## American Work in London.

The new London underground electric railway extends six miles through the heart of that city and is to cost \$15,000,000. The designing engineer was an American; the locomotives, generators and rotary converters are being built at Schenectady, N. Y., the engines at Milwaukee, the air brakes at Pittsburgh, the car couplers at Chicago and other appliances in various parts of the United States.

## Sending Hime to India.

A somewhat unusual export is reported in the shipment of 115 tons of American spelter to Calcutta. The metal is from the mines and works of the Berkeley Zinc company in Virginia, and the order came from the Indian ordinance department. The requirement was for zinc of exceptional purity.

## Probate Court.

H. L. Dickey and Lawrence Holakill appointed admrs of Andrew Newton Mackerley.

H. D. Davis, assignee of F. Schermer, filed second and final account.

J. F. Fender, gdn of Mary O. Lance et al, filed inventory.

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J. F. Fender, gdn of Mary O. Lance et al, filed report of sale of personal property.

Louisa Weller appointed admrx of P. S. Weller.

J. M. Hibben, admr of Eliza H. Cummings, filed first and final account.

Will of Hannah Montgomery probated.

John W. Montgomery and Samuel A. Leaverton appointed exrs of Hannah Montgomery.

Lillie S. Quinn appointed admx of I. H. Quinn.

Melissa Holmes appointed gdn of Vernon S. Holmes et al.

## Common Pleas Court.

The case of Sarah Zuck vs. Jas. Davidson, admr, occupied the attention of the court for three days last week. Sarah Zuck was a domestic in the home of the late Sylvester Davidson and brought suit for \$725 which she avers was due her from the estate of which Jas. Davidson was the administrator. A large number of witnesses were examined and the costs will amount to several hundred dollars. The plaintiff was allowed \$285.

Clara B. Leaverton vs. John J. Dewey was the style of a case which was to have come up for hearing last Monday, but was postponed.

Tuesday, H. N. DeHass vs. Mary E. DeHass. Divorce suit.

Wednesday, J. P. Lowe, admr., vs. Sarah A. Hughey et al.

T. F. McCoy vs. E. J. Cochran et al.

Friday, May 27, Thos. Montgomery vs. T. Montgomery et al.

## Real Estate Transfers.

A. H. Suiter to S. R. Wylie, Adams and Highland co's, 107 1/2, \$75.

Cynthia A. and Rachel West to John H. and Nancy J. McDonough, Washington and Jackson tps, 50 1/2, \$1150.

William and Sarah A. Farrar to David Newell, Liberty tp, 121 1/2, \$30.

D. E. Steele to Susan Steele, Madison tp, lot 1, and other considerations.

Grace A. Powell to Peter K. Davis, Greenfield, lot, \$5000.

## Marriage Licenses.

Emile Louis Juillard and Phoebe A. Cramton.

Albert M. Rhoads and Rosa Tryman.

Wesley Shaffer and Maggie Moore.

Robert Ward and Nellie Edgington.

Charles M. Mills and Frosie R. Hallam.

A. O. Clay and Laura Erskine.

Com. Winfield Scott Schley, in his book, "The Rescue of Greely," thus describes the finding of the explorer and the other frozen and starved survivors of the Lady Franklin Bay expedition in July 1884:

"On his hands and knees was a dark man with a long, matted beard and brilliant staring eyes. As Lieutenant Colwell approached he raised himself a little and put on a pair of eyeglasses. 'Who are you?' asked Colwell.

"The man made no answer, staring at him vacantly.

"Who are you?" again.

"One of the men spoke up: 'That is the major—Major Greely.'

"Colwell took him by the hand, saying to him, 'Greely, is this you?'

"Yes," said Greely in a faint, broken voice, hesitating and shuffling with his words: 'Yes—seven of us left—here we are—dying—like men! Did what I came to do—beat the best record!'

"Then he fell back exhausted."

General Greely will contribute to the Youth's Companion for the week of May 19th, a graphic, interesting article on "The Polar Bear," based on some personal experience in hunting the animal in the frozen north.

"No," she said, "you don't really love me."

"Yes, I swear I do," he protested. "I love you with all my soul. I would ask you to be my wife tomorrow if I were properly situated."

But his plea was useless. She had studied human nature, and knew that when a man is really in love he doesn't stop to consider whether he can afford to marry or not.

Mrs. Mushroom—Josiah, what do you think about having a beautiful frieze in the parlor?

Mr. Mushroom—It won't do. There is no use makin' a show of the fact that I got my money at the Klondike by havin' friezes in the parlor. Them are some of the things I want to forget.

"Well," said the star boarder, as the landlady passed him his dish of strawberries, "I see you are patriotic."

"How so?" she asked.

"You give us the national colors at our meals. These strawberries are red, the sugar you put on them is white, and it is almost needless for me to add that the milk is blue."

"Who is that I see you feeding nearly every night in the kitchen, Mollie?"

"That's my intended, the policeman, ma'am."

"Well, if he is your intended, why don't you marry him?"

"I'm waitin' till his appetite goes down a bit, ma'am."

## WHAT ARE OUR RIGHTS?

Dr. Theodore S. Woolsey, Professor of International Law at Yale, Gives His Views Regarding Seizures.

Dr. Theodore S. Woolsey, head of the department of international law in Yale law school, speaking of the legality of the capture by American warships of Spanish merchantmen prior to a formal declaration of war, said: "It is a matter for the prize court to decide whether war has yet begun or not. I do not care to commit myself on this delicate question. It is not established that the suspension of all diplomatic intercourse is absolutely equivalent to a declaration of war."

"England and Venezuela, for example, during the recent disagreement had no diplomatic intercourse for many months. Nor is a formal declaration of war necessary. In 1812 we began war without a formal declaration of war."

"Any international legislation implying that war exists is equivalent to a formal declaration."

"The general assumption is that legal war begins when hostilities begin. If war is not declared it may be that we shall lack the exact point necessary to determine the beginning of hostilities. We did not declare war in 1812."

"The most important decision yet made is that by Spain, in effect that she will not capture property under a neutral flag. If Spain holds to her word in this respect our worst danger to commerce from a Spanish source is removed."

"The fact that English owners have laid claim to the cargo of one of the ships captured by our blockading squadron has nothing to do with a ship's carrying the Spanish flag. In the case of such a capture the cargo should be handed over to the English owners and freight charged by the American prize-takers. The United States does not profess the doctrine that the hostile flag incriminates the cargo."

## DRESSES IN WOMEN'S CLOTHES

Queer Garb of an Old Beggar Arrested in New York City—He Is Thought to Be Crazy.

A human curio in the shape of an old man dressed in women's clothes, which he had adopted to excite the sympathy of charitably inclined persons, from whom he solicited alms, was arraigned in Jefferson market police court, New York. The curio was found by Policeman Trainor, of the Charles street station, while he was begging.

"Here's something you can have if you give it a name," he said to the sergeant at the desk. The sergeant did not look the prisoner over intently and asked the question "What's your name, madam, and where do you live?"

The reply came in a deep, gruff voice: "George W. Allen, 319 West Twelfth street."

Allen wore a woman's complete outfit, from little sailor hat with blue flowers down to women's shoes, and so cleverly had he put them on that the sergeant would not for a long time believe the prisoner was a man.

When asked the reason for appearing in such a garb the man answered that he was accustomed to wearing women's clothes to help him get charity. Allen said he was 80 years old and that he had lost \$10,000 in Wall street. When Allen was arraigned he was committed to Bellevue hospital to have his sanity examined into.

## LOVES THE FLOWERS.

Mrs. McKinley Causes Amusement by Referring to the Front and Back Yards to White House Grounds.

Mrs. McKinley is passionately fond of the great beds of flowers which ornament the white house grounds and she never tires expatiating on their beauty. A short time ago, when the weather bureau predicted a cold snap, the mistress of the white house was talking with a visitor and the conversation drifted by easy stages into a dissertation on flowers.

"We have so many beautiful flowers in our front and back yards," said Mrs. McKinley, "but I am afraid they will be nipped by a killing frost which the weather bureau has predicted."

The idea of the white house grounds being likened to the front and back yard of the McKinley residence at Canton struck the white house caller as very ludicrous and the story is going the rounds of social circles at the capital.

## PROTECTION FOR SHIPPING.

San Francisco Chamber of Commerce Adopts a Plan for Auxiliary Cruisers to Prevent Privateering.

The board of trustees of the San Francisco chamber of commerce at a special meeting reached the conclusion that the best means of protecting the coast against privateers would be for the citizens to procure auxiliary cruisers by purchase or construction to protect merchant vessels against privateers, and to create a military auxiliary artillery with batteries for the defense of the coast of San Francisco. It was also suggested that a submarine cable be laid from San Francisco to the Farallon islands, and that a signal station be established upon the islands, in order to announce approaching vessels one day earlier than by the present methods.

## China's Emblem.

The Chinese emblem of the dragon consists of a five-clawed imperial dragon, suspended to a yellow ribbon, and has the following inscription in Chinese characters: "Before it the lion turns pale and the tiger is silent."

## Hospitals in Palestine.

Nazareth, in Palestine, has no fewer than three hospitals, seven convents and 12 schools under English supervision.

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Sealed Proposals.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education of Pease township, Highland county, Ohio, at Samanthis, until 9 o'clock a. m., on the 30th day of June, 1898, for building a school house on the lot situated in Samanthis according to plans and specifications on file in said office. Each bid must contain the name of every person interested in same and be accompanied by sufficient guaranty of some disinterested person that if the bid is accepted a contract will be entered into and the performance of it properly secured. The bids for each kind of material called for by specifications must be stated separately, and the price of each given, and the price of labor must also be separately stated. Bids will be considered separately to include or exclude heating apparatus as plan shows. None but the lowest responsible bid will be accepted, and the Board may reject any or all bids.

By order of the Board of Education,  
F. M. WEST, Clerk.

May 18, 1898.

"Did you hear about France and Portugal joining Spain?" asked the observer.

"No, is it so?" replied the cross-eyed boarder excitedly.

"Look at the map and you will find that they join."

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

D. Q. Morrow vs. Chas. Massey and Albert Massey. Highland Court of Common Pleas. Case No. 6281.

## ORDER OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of an order issued from the Court of Common Pleas, within and for the County of Highland, and State of Ohio, made at the April term thereof, A. D. 1898, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at Public Auction at the door of the Court House, in the town of Hillsboro, Ohio, on

Saturday, June 18, 1898,

At 1 o'clock p. m. of said day the following described real estate, to-wit:

Situate in Pease township, Highland county, Ohio, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stone in the center of the road leading from Fall Creek to Clear Creek meeting road, south-west corner to David Kinzie's land; running thence with said road w. 11 poles and 18 links to a stone; thence n. 5 deg. 30 min. w. 12 poles and 18 links to a stone in the east boundary line of the town of Samanthis; thence with said line n. 20 deg. e. 2 poles to a stone; thence s. 70 deg. e. 9 poles to a stone in the line of said David Kinzie's line; thence with said line s. 10 deg. 11 poles to the beginning, containing one hundred and thirty-two (132) poles of land, more or less.

Also the lots Nos. 8 and 4 in the said town of Samanthis, and known and designated on the record-plat of said town of Samanthis as the said Nos. 3 and 4 of lot 1. Being a part of James Rayton's Survey No. 2327, and all of the said premises being the same premises of which William Massey died seized.

Said premises have been appraised at \$265.00, and cannot will for less than two-thirds of said appraisement.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash on day of sale, one-third in one year and one-third in two years, said payments to bear interest from day of sale and be secured by mortgage on said premises.

J. G. WILLIAMSON,  
Sheriff of Highland County.

"Stingian has gone crazy at last."

"What threw him off his trolley?"

"He had been studying about making doughnuts and the holes in them. At first he thought it was cheaper to make the holes larger. Then he concluded that if he did it would take more dough to go around them. Then he went crazy."

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